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## WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS ARE SIMILAR TO 1970

Anticipating excellent fall flights again this year, waterfowl regulation frameworks, within which States select their 1971-72 hunting seasons, are approximately the same as last season, Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton announced today.

Most species of ducks are expected to be moving down the flyways in about the same numbers as in 1970, which was a good year for waterfowl hunters. Mallard flights should be about the same as a year ago.

The regulations are based upon predictions by biologists for Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service who have been making aerial surveys of the nesting grounds in recent months.

Their optimism comes from habitat conditions on the prairie pothole country of Canada and the northern United States where many of the favored game ducks breed. Conditions have been described as "excellent" the past three years following several years of drought.

The framework regulations are established after recommendations are made by State wildlife agencies, flyway councils and major private conservation organizations.

Even with the generally good situation, there are still special restrictions on some species such as canvasbacks, redheads, wood ducks, and black ducks in some flyways. The goose populations are generally in excellent condition, but some of the goose flocks still need special protection via the regulations.

The regulations are designed to maintain high breeding population levels of waterfowl, while furnishing excellent hunting opportunity.

Specific hunting regulations within the frameworks issued by the Federal Government will be announced by State fish and game agencies.

Copies of the Interior Department's regulatory announcements may be obtained from its regional offices in Portland, Albuquerque, Minneapolis, Atlanta, and Boston, or from State fish and game agencies. Unlike previous years, they will not be available at post offices.

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Summary of 1971-72 Regulations Frameworks for  
Waterfowl, Coots, Cranes, Snipe, and Gallinule

In considering amendments to regulations under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the Secretary of the Interior has approved frameworks which prescribe season lengths, bag limits, shooting hours, and dates within which States may select 1971-72 seasons for hunting waterfowl, coots, and gallinules; cranes in parts of North Dakota, South Dakota, New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, and Oklahoma; and for common snipe in the Pacific Flyway. Frameworks are summarized below.

GENERAL

States may split their season for ducks or geese into 2 segments without penalty in number of days. The segments may be of unequal length. Exceptions to this rule are noted.

split season

Shooting hours in all States, on all species, and for all seasons are 1/2 hour before sunrise until sunset. Exceptions to these uniform shooting hours are noted.

shooting hours

States in the Atlantic, Mississippi, and Central Flyways are reminded that if they did not select their gallinule season in July, they should do so at the time they make their waterfowl selections. Frameworks for gallinule were approved by the Secretary on June 30 and are: outside dates: September 1 - January 15; season length: not more than 70 days; bag limits: 15 daily, 30 in possession.

gallinule

Any State in the Atlantic, Mississippi, or Central Flyway not selecting a September teal season or the point system, may take an extra bag limit on blue-winged teal of 2 daily and 4 in possession for 9 consecutive days during the regular duck season. This extra limit is in addition to the regular duck bag limits.

extra teal

States in the Atlantic, Mississippi, and Central Flyway may select a special scaup-only hunting season not to exceed 16 consecutive days with a daily bag limit of 5 and a possession limit of 10 scaup, subject to the following conditions:

special  
scaup-only  
season

1. Any such special season must fall between October 1, 1971, and January 31, 1972, inclusive,
2. Such special season must fall outside the open season for any other ducks except sea ducks,
3. Such season be limited to described areas mutually agreed upon between the State and the Bureau prior to August 27,
4. Agreed upon open areas must be described and delineated in State hunting regulations;

OR

As an alternative, the States in the Atlantic, Mississippi, and Central Flyways, except those States selecting a point system, may take an extra bag limit on scaup of 2 daily and 4 in possession during the regular duck hunting season, subject to conditions 3 and 4 listed above. This extra limit is in addition to the regular duck bag limits and it may be taken during the entire regular duck season.

extra scaup

Any State selecting the experimental point system must do so on a statewide basis.

point system

Dates within which States may select their open seasons, the length of the open seasons, bag limit options, and other special provisions are listed below by Flyway.

ATLANTIC FLYWAY

Between October 1, 1971, and January 20, 1972, States in this Flyway may select open seasons on ducks and coots of: (a) 50 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 4 daily and 8 in possession; or (b) 40 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 5 daily and 10 in possession; or (c) 60 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 3 daily and 6 in possession; and a bag limit on coots of 15 daily and 30 in possession.

outside dates  
ducks and coots  
season lengths  
and limits

Under options (a) and (b), the bag limits may not include more than 2 black ducks daily and 4 in possession. Under option (c), the bag limit may not include more than 1 black duck daily and 2 in possession.

restrictions  
on black ducks

Under all options, the daily bag limit may not include more than 2 wood ducks and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead, and the possession limit may not include more than 4 wood ducks and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead.

restrictions  
on other ducks

The bag limit on mergansers is 5 daily and 10 in possession, of which not more than 1 daily and 2 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

mergansers

The Lake Champlain area of New York State takes the waterfowl seasons, limits, and shooting hours selected by Vermont. This area includes that part of New York State lying east and north of a line running south from the Canadian border along U.S. Highway 9 to New York Route 22 south of Keeseville, along New York Route 22 to South Bay, along and around the shoreline of South Bay to New York Route 22, along New York State Route 22 to U.S. Highway 4 at Whitehall, and along U.S. Highway 4 to the Vermont border.

Lake Champlain  
area, New York  
follows  
Vermont

The State of New York may, for the Long Island area, select season dates and bag limits which differ from those in the remainder of the State, so long as these dates and limits are consistent with the Atlantic Flyway framework.

Long Island  
area

As an alternative to the selection of a statewide season, Massachusetts may, on an experimental basis, select separate seasons for each of two zones. Each such season may not exceed 40 consecutive days within the Flyway framework. The basic daily bag limit on ducks is 4 daily and 8 in possession, and the restrictions applicable to options (a) and (b) of the regular season for the Flyway also apply. The zones are defined as follows:

Massachusetts  
zones

Coastal Zone: All coastal lands and waters lying seaward of a line running south from the New Hampshire border along U.S. Highway 1 to State Route 3, along State Route 3 to the Cape Cod Canal, and from the Cape Cod Canal along State Route 6 to the Rhode Island border.

Inland Zone: All lands and waters lying inland of the coastal zone.

As an alternative to the conventional bag limits for ducks, an experimental point system bag limit may be selected by Florida and New Jersey for 60 days during the framework dates shown above. The point values for species and sexes taken are as follows: canvasbacks and redheads count 100 points each; hen mallards, black ducks, mottled ducks, wood ducks and hooded mergansers count 90 points each; drake mallards, green-winged teal, hen pintails, and ring-necked ducks count 20 points each; all other species and sexes of ducks and mergansers count 10 points each. The daily bag limit is reached when the point value of the last bird taken added to the sum of the point

point system  
option for  
Florida and  
New Jersey

values of the other birds already taken during that day reaches or exceeds 100 points. The possession limit is the maximum number of birds of species and sex which could have legally been taken in two days.

Coots have a point value of zero, but the bag is limited to 15 daily and 30 in possession as under the conventional limits.

coot points

In New Jersey, sea ducks count 10 points each during the point system season, but during any part of the regular sea duck open season falling outside the point system season, the regular sea duck limit of 7 daily and 14 in possession applies.

New Jersey  
sea ducks

Between October 1, 1971, and January 23, 1972, the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, (excluding the Back Bay area), may select an open season on geese (except blue and snow geese) of 70 days; the daily bag limit is 3 and the possession limit is 6. The States of North Carolina, South Carolina, and the Back Bay area of Virginia may select an open season on geese (except blue and snow geese) of 50 days; the daily bag limit is 1 and the possession limit is 2.

outside dates,  
season lengths  
and limits on  
geese

The season on geese is closed in the States of Florida and Georgia.

closure

Between October 1, 1971, and January 23, 1972, all States in this Flyway may select a season for brant not to exceed 70 days with a daily bag limit of 6 and possession limit of 12.

brant season

## MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

Between October 1, 1971, and January 16, 1972, States in this Flyway may select concurrent open seasons on ducks and coots of (a) 50 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 4 daily and 8 in possession; or (b) 50 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 6 daily and 12 in possession; and a bag limit on coots of 15 daily and 30 in possession.

outside dates,  
season lengths  
and limits on  
ducks and coots

Under option (a) the daily bag limit on ducks may not include more than 2 wood ducks and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead. The possession limit may not include more than 4 wood ducks and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead.

restrictions  
on ducks

Under option (b) the daily bag limit on ducks may not include more than 2 mallards, 2 wood ducks, and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead. The possession limit may not include more than 4 mallards, 4 wood ducks, and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead.

The limit on mergansers is 5 daily and 10 in possession, of which not more than 1 daily and 2 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

mergansers

The Pymatuning Reservoir area of Ohio takes the waterfowl seasons, limits, and shooting hours selected by Pennsylvania. The area includes Pymatuning Reservoir and that part of Ohio bounded on the north by County Road 306 known as Woodward Road, on the west by Pymatuning Lake Road, and on the south by U.S. Highway 322.

Pymatuning  
Reservoir area,  
Ohio follows  
Pennsylvania

As an alternative to the conventional bag limits for ducks, an experimental point system bag limit may be selected by Iowa, Illinois, and Michigan for 50 days during the framework dates shown above. The point values for species and sexes taken are as follows: canvasbacks and redheads count 100 points each; hen mallards, black ducks, wood ducks, and hooded mergansers count 90 points each; drake mallards, hen pintails, and ring-necked ducks count 20 points each; all other species and sexes of ducks and mergansers count 10 points each. The daily bag limit is reached when the point value of the last bird taken added to the sum of the point values of the other birds already taken during that day reaches or exceeds 100 points. The possession limit is the maximum number of birds of species and sex which could have legally been taken in two days. Coots have a point value of zero, but the bag is limited to 15 daily and 30 in possession as under the conventional limits.

point system  
option in  
Iowa, Illinois,  
and Michigan

coot points

Between October 1, 1971, and January 23, 1972, States in this Flyway, except Louisiana, may select an open season of 70 days on geese, with a daily bag and possession limit of 5 geese.

outside dates,  
season length,  
and limit, on  
geese

Between October 1, 1971, and February 14, 1972, Louisiana may select an open season of 70 days on blue, snow, and white-fronted geese, with a daily bag and possession limit of 5 geese, of which not more than 2 may be white-fronted geese.

Louisiana  
geese outside  
dates and  
limits

In all States except Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Minnesota, and Missouri, the daily bag and possession limits may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 2 white-fronted geese, or 1 of each. In the States of Iowa and Minnesota and in the Mississippi counties of Lafayette, Marshall, and Panola, the daily bag and possession limits may not include more than 1 Canada goose, or 2 white-fronted geese, or 1 of each. In the States of Illinois and Kentucky, the daily bag limit may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 2 white-fronted geese, or 1 of each; and the possession limit may not include more than 4 Canada geese, or 2 white-fronted geese, or 2 of each.

restrictions  
on Canada and  
white-fronted  
geese

In the States of Illinois and Wisconsin, the kill of Canada geese is limited to 28,000 birds in each State, and in Wisconsin the kill is further limited to 16,000 birds in the area designated as the Horicon Zone.

quota limit  
Canada geese

In the Horicon Zone, the daily bag and possession limit is 1 Canada goose, and hunting is restricted to those persons holding a valid Canada goose hunting permit issued by the Bureau. Applications for permits will be made available by the State of Wisconsin in mid-August, and must be returned by September 11 (except for some active duty military personnel). If the number of applications exceeds the number of permits available, then the permits will be issued on an equitable basis.

Horicon Zone

In the State of Iowa, the season on Canada geese is October 9 to 31.

Iowa

In the State of Minnesota, except the Rochester zone, the season on Canada geese must open with the duck season and may extend for 9 consecutive days. In the Rochester zone, the season is the same as that for other geese in the State, and the daily bag and possession limit is 2 Canada geese. The Rochester zone includes that part of the State of Minnesota lying east of a line running along Interstate Highway 35 from the Twin Cities to the Iowa border.

Minnesota

In the State of Missouri, in the:

Missouri

- (a) Squaw Creek area (same description as before), the season on Canada geese opens with the regular goose season and extends for 30 days. The daily bag limit is 1 and the possession limit is 2 Canada geese.
- (b) Swan Lake quota area (same description as before), the season on Canada geese closes with the regular goose season or when the quota of 14,000 birds has been reached, whichever is the earlier date. The daily bag limit is 1 and the possession limit is 2 Canada geese.
- (c) Lower Mississippi zone (the area lying east of a line running south along U.S. Highway 61 from its junction with U.S. Highway 67 until it becomes Interstate Highway 55, then south along Interstate Highway 55 to the Arkansas border), the State may select a season on Canada geese between December 1, 1971, and January 23, 1972, that is independent of the season in the remainder of the State. The daily bag limit is 2 and the possession limit is 4 Canada geese.
- (d) Remainder of the State the season on Canada geese may not exceed 21 days. The daily bag limit is 1 and the possession limit is 2 Canada geese.

In the State of Illinois, the season on Canada geese may open on a later date in the southern zone, and the season may extend for 70 days or until the zone's quota of birds is reached, whichever is the earlier date.

Illinois  
Zone

The season on Canada geese is closed in the States of Arkansas and Louisiana and in the Mississippi counties of Issaquena, Sharkey, and Washington. The season is closed on all goose hunting in the Alabama counties of Russell and Barbour.

closures

When it has been determined by the Director that the quota of Canada geese allotted to the State of Illinois and to the Swan Lake area of Missouri will have been killed, the season for taking Canada geese in the respective area will be closed by the Director upon giving public notice through local information media at least 48 hours in advance of the time and day of closing.

special  
closure for  
geese in Ill.  
and Mo.

Geese taken in the States of Illinois, Kentucky, and Missouri, may not be transported, shipped, or delivered for transportation or shipment by common carrier, the postal service, or by any person except as the personal baggage of the hunter taking the birds.

restrictions  
on transport-  
ing geese in  
Ill., Ky., and  
Mo.



## CENTRAL FLYWAY

Between October 1, 1971, and January 16, 1972, States or portions of States placed in this Flyway may select concurrent open seasons on ducks and coots of: (a) 70 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 5 daily and 10 in possession, or (b) 55 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 6 daily and 12 in possession; and a bag limit on coots of 15 daily and 30 in possession.

ducks  
outside dates  
season lengths  
and limits

The daily bag limit on ducks may not include more than 2 wood ducks and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead. The possession limit on ducks may not include more than 4 wood ducks and 1 canvasback or 1 redhead.

restrictions  
on ducks

The bag limit on mergansers is 5 daily and 10 in possession, of which not more than 1 daily and 2 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

mergansers

As an alternative to the conventional bag limits for ducks, States in this Flyway may select a point system bag limit. The point values for species and sexes taken are as follows: canvasbacks and redheads count 100 points each; hen mallard, black ducks, wood ducks, hooded mergansers, and New Mexican ducks count 90 points each; drake mallard, mottled ducks, hen pintails, and ring-necked ducks count 20 points each; all other species and sexes of ducks and mergansers count 10 points each. The daily bag limit is reached when the point value of the last bird taken added to the sum of the point values of other birds already taken during that day reaches or exceeds 100 points. The possession limit is the maximum number of birds of species and sex which could have legally been taken in two days. Coots have a point value of zero, but the bag is limited to 15 daily and 30 in possession as under the conventional limits.

point system  
option

coot points

If a point system season has been selected by the State, the season length in the High Plains Mallard Management Unit portions of Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, South Dakota, and Wyoming is 90 days, provided that the last 20 days of such season occur after December 10, and the season length for North Dakota, Oklahoma, and Texas and those portions of South Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas not included in the High Plains Mallard Management Unit is 70 days. The High Plains area is roughly defined as that portion of the country which lies between the 100th meridian and the Continental Divide.

point system  
season length

Those portions of the States of Colorado and Wyoming lying west of the Continental Divide, that portion of New Mexico lying west of the Continental Divide plus the entire area of the Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, and that portion of Montana which includes the Counties of Hill, Choteau, Cascade, Meagher, and Park and all counties west thereof, must select open seasons on waterfowl and coots in accordance with the Framework for the Pacific Flyway.

Colorado,  
Montana,  
New Mexico,  
and Wyoming  
west of the  
Continental  
Divide

Between October 1, 1971, and January 16, 1972, States in this Flyway may select an open season on geese with a daily bag and possession limit of 5 as follows:

geese  
outside dates  
limits

- (a) The States of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas may select a season of 75 consecutive days.

season lengths

- (b) The States of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, and New Mexico may select a season of 90 days for their Central Flyway portions, with a daily bag limit of 2 and a possession limit of 4 geese.

limits

In the State of Nebraska; in all of Oklahoma except Alfalfa, Bryan, Johnston, and Marshall Counties; and in that portion of Texas lying west of U.S. Highway 81, the daily bag and possession limits may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each.

Nebraska,  
Oklahoma,  
and Texas  
limits

In that portion of North Dakota lying west of State Highway 3, the daily bag limit may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 2 white-fronted geese, or 1 of each. In that portion of North Dakota lying east of State Highway 3, the daily bag limit may not include more than 1 Canada goose, or 2 white-fronted geese, or 1 of each. The possession limit in North Dakota may not include more than 2 Canada and white-fronted geese singly or in the aggregate of these species.

North Dakota  
limits

In that portion of South Dakota lying east of U.S. Highway 281 and north of State Highway 34 and in those counties bordering the Missouri River between the North Dakota line and the Nebraska line, the daily bag limit may not include more than 1 Canada goose and 1 white-fronted goose and the possession limit may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each; in the remainder of the State, the daily bag and possession limits may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each.

South Dakota  
limits

In the State of Kansas, the daily bag and possession limits for that portion of the season through December 10, 1971, may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each; after December 10, 1971, the daily bag limit may not include more than 1 Canada goose and 1 white-fronted goose and the possession limit may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each.

Kansas  
limits

In the Oklahoma counties of Alfalfa, Bryan, Johnston, and Marshall, the State may select either:

Oklahoma  
limits

- (a) A season of 50 consecutive days (within the 75 day period selected for the remainder of the State) with daily bag and possession limits of not more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each; or
- (b) A season of 75 consecutive days with a daily bag limit of not more than 1 Canada goose and 1 white-fronted goose, and a possession limit of not more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each.

In that portion of Texas lying east of U.S. Highway 81, the daily bag limit may not include more than 1 Canada goose, or 1 white-fronted goose, and the possession limit may not include more than 2 Canada geese, or 1 white-fronted goose, or 1 of each.

Texas  
limits

In all States in the Flyway, the daily bag and possession limits may not include more than 1 Ross' goose.

Ross' goose

States in this Flyway may select a season on sandhill (little brown) cranes with a daily bag limit of 3 and a possession limit of 6 according to the following framework:

little brown  
cranes

- (a) 37 consecutive days from October 2 through November 7, 1971, in the Central Flyway portion of Colorado except in the San Luis Valley area.
- (b) 93 consecutive days between October 30, 1971, and January 30, 1972, in the New Mexico counties of Chaves, Curry, De Baca, Eddy, Lea, Quay, and Roosevelt, and in that portion of the State of Texas lying west of a line running south from the Oklahoma border along U.S. Highway 287 to U.S. Highway 87 at Dumas, along U.S. Highway 87 to U.S. Highway 277 at San Angelo, and along U.S. Highway 277 to the International Toll Bridge in Del Rio.

Colorado

New Mexico

Texas

- (c) 58 consecutive days between December 4, 1971, and January 30, 1972, in that portion of Oklahoma lying west of U.S. Highway 81, and in that portion of Texas lying east of a line running south from the Oklahoma border along U.S. Highway 287 to U.S. Highway 87 at Dumas, then along U.S. Highway 87 to San Angelo, and lying west of a line running north from San Angelo along U.S. Highway 277 to Abilene, along State Highway 351 to Albany, along U.S. Highway 283 to Vernon, and then along U.S. Highway 183 east to the Oklahoma border.
- Oklahoma  
Texas
- (d) 30 consecutive days between November 13 and December 12, 1971, in the North Dakota counties of Kidder, Stutsman, McLean, Sheridan, and Burleigh; and in part of South Dakota described as follows: From the North Dakota border, south on U.S. Highway 83 to U.S. Highway 212, west on U.S. Highway 212 to the Promise Road, north on the Promise Road to State Highway 20, north on State Highway 20 to U.S. Highway 12, northwest on U.S. Highway 12 to State Highway 63, north on State Highway 63 to the North Dakota border.
- North Dakota  
South Dakota

## PACIFIC FLYWAY

Between October 2, 1971, and January 16, 1972, States or portions of States placed in this Flyway may select concurrent open seasons on ducks, coots, and gallinule of: (a) 93 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 6 daily and 12 in possession, or a daily bag and possession limit of 7 ducks; or (b) 79 days with basic bag limits on ducks of 7 daily and 14 in possession, or a daily bag and possession limit of 8 ducks. Under either option the daily bag and possession limits may not include more than 2 canvasback ducks.

outside dates  
ducks, coots,  
and gallinule  
season lengths  
and limits

canvasbacks

For that portion of California lying south of the Tehachapi Mountains and west of the Colorado River area (as described in Title 14 California Fish and Game Code, Section 502), the State may designate season dates and bag limits differing from those in the rest of the State, so long as these dates and limits are consistent with the Pacific Flyway framework.

California  
Tehachapi  
waterfowl  
area

Clark and Lincoln Counties in Nevada and the Colorado River area of California take the seasons, limits, and shooting hours selected by Arizona for all waterfowl except brant; and the Tule Lake area of California takes the seasons, limits, and shooting hours selected by Oregon for all waterfowl except brant.

California,  
Nevada areas  
follow Arizona  
and Oregon

In the Columbia Basin area of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho (same area as last year), those States may select concurrent open seasons for ducks, coots, and gallinule of 107 days between October 2, 1971, and January 23, 1972, with basic limits on ducks of 7 daily and 14 in possession. In the Columbia Basin, shooting hours are from 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

Columbia Basin  
ducks, coots,  
and gallinule

The daily bag and possession limit on coots and gallinule is 25, singly or in the aggregate of these species.

coots and  
gallinule

The bag limit on mergansers is 5 daily and 10 in possession, of which not more than 1 daily and 2 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

mergansers

Between October 2, 1971, and January 16, 1972, States in this Flyway may select an open season on geese of 93 days with a basic daily bag and possession limit of 6, provided that the daily bag limit does not include more than 3 geese of the dark species. In the States of Washington and Idaho, the daily bag limit is 3 and the possession limit is 6 geese.

geese  
season length  
and limits

In the Washington counties of Adams, Franklin, Grant, Walla Walla, Lincoln, Douglas, Yakima, Benton, Klickitat, and Kittitas, and in the Oregon counties of Morrow, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, and Umatilla, the goose season must be concurrent with the Columbia Basin duck season and the bag limits for geese are to be the same as in their respective States.

Columbia Basin  
geese

In the State of Utah; in the State of Idaho (except Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Benewah, Shoshone, Latah, Nez Perce, Lewis, Clearwater, and Idaho Counties); in the Oregon counties of Baker and Malheur; and in those portions of Colorado, Montana, and Wyoming placed in the Pacific Flyway, the daily bag and possession limit is 2 Canada geese, and the season on Canada geese may not extend beyond January 2, 1972.

Canada geese  
limits and  
restrictions

In the State of Utah, in that portion of the State of Idaho lying east of U.S. Highway 93, and in those portions of the States of Colorado, Montana, and Wyoming placed in the Pacific Flyway, the season on Canada geese may be no more than 58 days. The season days must be consecutive in that portion of Idaho having a 58 day season.

In the State of Arizona; in that portion of New Mexico placed in the Pacific Flyway; in Clark County Nevada; and in the Tehachapi waterfowl area of California except Fish and Game District 22, the daily bag and possession limit is 2 Canada geese and the season on Canada geese may not extend beyond January 9, 1972.

In that portion of California Fish and Game District 22 for which California selects the open season (that portion of the District lying outside the Colorado River area), the daily bag and possession limit may not include more than 1 Canada goose and the season on Canada geese may not extend beyond January 9, 1972.

In all States in the Flyway, the daily bag and possession limit may not include more than 1 Ross' goose.

restriction  
Ross' goose

The season on snow and Ross' geese is closed in the Idaho counties of Clark, Madison, Fremont, and Teton, and in the Montana counties of Beaverhead, Gallatin, and Madison.

closed season  
in Idaho and  
Montana counties

Between October 30, 1971, and February 20, 1972, States in this Flyway may select an open season on brant of 93 days with daily bag limit of 4 and possession limit of 8.

brant

Between October 2, 1971, and January 16, 1972, States in this Flyway may select an open season on common snipe (Wilson's) of 65 days with a daily bag limit of 8 and possession limit of 16.

common snipe  
(Wilson's)

In the States of Utah, Nevada, and Montana, an open season for taking a limited number of whistling swans may be selected subject to the following conditions: (a) the season must run concurrently with the season for ducks, (b) in the State of Utah, no more than 2500 permits may be issued authorizing each permittee to take 1 whistling swan, (c) in the State of Nevada, no more than 500 permits may be issued authorizing each permittee to take 1 whistling swan in the County of Churchill, (d) in the State of Montana, no more than 500 permits be issued authorizing each permittee to take 1 whistling swan in the County of Teton, (e) permit forms and correspondingly numbered metal locking seals furnished by the Bureau must be issued by the appropriate Department of Game and Fish on an equitable basis without charge.

whistling  
swans